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SUBJECT: IMCO: SELECTION OF SECRETARY GENERAL

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1. SUBJECT DISCUSSED WITH MIN. DIRIG. DIR. GERHARD BREUER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE MARITIME DIVISION OF THE FRG MINISTRY FOR TRANSPORT.

2. DR. BREUER SAID THAT ALTHOUGH IT IS RECOGNIZED THAT THE FRG CANDIDATE IS UNLIKELY TO WIN ON THE FIRST VOTE, NEVERTHELESS THE FRG FEELS IT NECESSARY THAT A GERMAN BE A CANDIDATE FOR AN IMPORTANT POSITION IN AN INTERNATIONAL BODY SUCH AS THIS. THEN IF DEFEATED ON THE SECOND VOTE, THE FRG WOULD HAVE MOVED TO A STRONGER POSITION FROM WHICH TO ARGUE FOR ELECTION OF AN FRG CANDIDATE TO HEAD SOME OTHER IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL BODY.

3. IT IS THOUGHT BY THE REPORTING OFFICER THAT DR. BREUER' S
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COMMENTS REFLECT A BITTERNESS ON THE PART OF FRG OFFICIALS THAT ALTHOUGH THEY ARE ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, HAVE VERY WELL- QUALIFIED CANDIDATES, AND THE FRG CONTRIBUTE SUBSTANTIALLY TO THE BUDGETS OF A NUMBER OF SUCH AGENCIES, GERMANS HAVE NOT HEADED ANY IMPORTANT INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION IN THE YEARS SINCE FRG SOVEREIGNTY.

4. DR. BREUER SAID THAT THE FRG HAD ASKED HIM TO ACCEPT NOMINATION FOR SECRETARY GENERAL. HE WOULD DO AS REQUESTED EVEN RECOGNIZING THAT HE WOULD NOT WIN.

5. DR. BREUER CONCEDES SELECTION OF SECRETARY GENERAL FROM LCD IS DESIRABLE AND VERY LIKELY TO HAPPEN. HE BELIEVES SRIVASTAUA IS PROBABLY THE MAN WHO WILL BE ELECTED, BUT NOT ON THE FIRST BALLOT. BARRETT

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